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Stralsund - Sailing Restriction

5. Because a sailing craft has recently defected from Stralsund harbor, the sailing of small craft from Stralsund has now been forbidden during dark hours.

Grenspolizei Craft

6. A number of Grenzpolizei KS boats are at present lying in Stralsund. These are some of the KS boats originally handed over by the Seepolizei.

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of these craft continue to wear Grenzpolizei uniform.

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Recruiting Drive

7. No recruiting drive is at present being undertaken, as it is assumed that general conscription will be ordered as soon as the formation of the National Armed Forces is announced.

Visits on Seepolizei Craft

8. When Seepolizei craft visit East German ports, they are always opened to FDJ and Young Pioneer personnel in uniform. Civilians accompanying these persons are not, however, allowed to board the craft.

New Ranks

9. The recently established new naval type ranks apply only to sea-going personnel.

Construction of New Craft

10. The Volkswerft Stralsund has recently begun the construction of a new type of "Schnellboot" (Speed boat). Details are as yet secret.

Soviet Minesweeper

11. The Soviet minesweeper T.742 was lying in Stralsund on 6 November. Details of this vessel are as follows:

length:

35 m

Beams

5 m

Estimated draught 1.5 m

Armament:

One 3.7 om gun on both the forecastle and quarterdeck, and one heavy machine gun on the port and starboard side of the bridge.

The bridge is open and the quartermaster stands in the open air. Height of mast $8-10~\mathrm{m}_{\odot}$

A large winch and minesweeping gear on the quarterdeck. Single funnel,

The vessel is twin screwed and powered by 2 Diesel motors Estimated speed: 24 knots

A searchlight of an estimated 0.75 m diameter is mounted on the bridge.

The vessel is painted blue-grey.

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